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UMC Awards First-Ever Camp RYLA Scholarship to Local Student

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CROOKSTON, MN (June 30, 2006) – Stacy Flikka, Crookston, Minn., who has chosen to attend the University of Minnesota, Crookston (UMC) this fall, was awarded the first-ever UMC Camp RYLA Scholarship. A May 2006 Crookston Central High School graduate, Flikka was chosen from 119 eligible campers and qualified for this scholarship award by attending the 2005 RYLA Camp at UMC. Flikka is also a recipient of the UMC Chancellor Scholarship, awarded to students who have excelled academically. Potential for continued academic excellence and campus leadership is also considered. Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) is an international program that provides outstanding youth leaders an opportunity to expand and hone their leadership skills. The summer RYLA Camp will be held at UMC this July when youth participate in a week of intense leadership training. Activities include a combination of challenging physical and mental activities, speakers, and discussion. Sponsored by Rotary International, District 5580, the camp features outstanding speakers from all over the region, discussion groups, and sessions with volunteer Rotarian staff members. UMC Financial Aid Director Melissa Dingmann and UMC Director of Career and Counseling Services and Camp RYLA Chair Don R. Cavalier made the announcement. The University of Minnesota, Crookston (UMC) is a four-year baccalaureate degree granting institution, dedicated to learning, discovery, and engagement in the northwest Minnesota region and beyond. To learn more, visit www.UMCrookston.edu.

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